

**REMARKS**

In the Office Action mailed August 29, 2005, claims 1 to 23 were allowed and the restriction requirement regarding claims 17 to 23 was made FINAL. Thus, claims 17 to 23 are *cancelled*, subject to the filing of a divisional application, placing this application in condition for allowance.

Thus, the Applicant respectfully requests allowance of this application, including claims 1 to 16.

Although it is believed that no fee is due for the filing of this Response, the Commissioner is authorized to charge our Deposit Account No. 08-2789 for any additional fees or credit the account for any overpayments regarding this Response. Further and favorable reconsideration of the outstanding Office Action is hereby requested.

**Respectfully submitted,**

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**CERTIFICATE OF EXPRESS MAILING**

I hereby certify that the enclosed Response is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as Express Mail, postage prepaid, in an envelope as "Express Mail Post Office to Addressee," Mailing Label No. EV564947467US and addressed to **Mail Stop Non-Fee Amendment**, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450 on **September 6, 2005**.



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